

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to recognize milestone events in
4 the lives of the citizens of the State of Illinois; and

5 WHEREAS, It has come to our attention that Ervin R.
6 Millsaps was recently installed as the new Pastor at Shiloh
7 Baptist Church in Chicago; and

8 WHEREAS, Ervin R. Millsaps was licensed to preach the
9 Gospel Ministry at his home church, Smith Grove Baptist in
10 Hiddenite, North Carolina on April 23, 1980; he was ordained
11 to the Gospel Ministry by the Yadkin Davie Baptist
12 Association of North Carolina on January 17, 1983; and

13 WHEREAS, Dr. Millsaps served as Pastor of the Old Town
14 Baptist Church in Galex, Virginia from 1982-1984, New Bethal
15 Baptist Church in Morganton, North Carolina from 1984-1988,
16 New Hope Baptist Church in Charlotte, North Carolina from
17 1988-1992, and greater Fellowship Baptist Church in
18 Charlotte, North Carolina from 1992-2001; and

19 WHEREAS, Dr. Millsaps has an extensive theological
20 education; in 1992, he received his Bachelor of Arts degree
21 in Religion and Philosophy from Shaw University in Raleigh,
22 North Carolina; in 1995, he received a Masters of Divinity in
23 Christian Education from Southeastern Baptist Theological
24 Seminary in Wake Forest, North Carolina; a Wyatt T. Walker
25 Fellow, he completed his post graduate study at United
26 Theological Seminary in Dayton, Ohio, and was awarded a
27 Doctor of Ministry degree in 1998; and

28 WHEREAS, Dr. Millsaps recognizes that the greatest
29 challenge to the church is to provide viable and relevant
30 ministry to a constantly changing and evolving community; in
31 response to this challenge, his Multi-Disciplinary Ministry

1 emphasizes Biblical Literacy, Christian Stewardship and
2 Christian Social Activism; and

3 WHEREAS, Dr. Millsaps has religious affiliations with the
4 Congress of Christian Education, the National Baptist
5 Convention, USA, Inc., and The Greater New Era District
6 Association; under the auspices of the Congress of Christian
7 Education, he is currently developing the Midwest Region
8 Discipleship Cluster; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Millsaps was born on November 12, 1961 and
10 is a native of Taylorville, North Carolina; he served his
11 country in the U.S. National Guard from 1979 to 1981; since
12 1982, he has been married to the former Lizzie Towns of
13 Brooklyn, New York and is the proud father of a daughter,
14 Octavia Ruth; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-
16 SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
17 congratulate Ervin R. Millsaps on his recent installment as
18 Pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church in Chicago, Illinois; and be
19 it further

20 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
21 presented to Pastor Ervin R. Millsaps as an expression of our
22 esteem.